Opportunities for *Research* and *Education* in Downeast Maine



The re-development of the Schoodic Point Navy base as a research and education campus



at Acadia National Park



Historic 1935 Rockefeller building, focal point of the SERC campus

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a public-private partnership linking scientists, students, citizens, and businesses to promote understanding and stewardship

MISSION

The **Schoodic Education and Research Consortium** promotes research and education in the '*living laboratory and classroom*' of natural and cultural resources represented by national parks. Its multi-institutional partners established the Consortium for purposes of:

- inter-disciplinary research on the region centered around Acadia National Park;
- innovative learning and stewardship programs for students of all ages;
- collaborative interaction among educators and researchers;
- compilation of a physical and virtual repository of regional resource information;

The opportunity. The Schoodic Point Navy Base will close in June, 2002. The 97 acre campus will revert to the National Park Service for re-development as a research and education center. The goal is to create an intellectually stimulating research and education hub at the SERC campus, while retaining the quiet character of the Schoodic portion of Acadia National Park. Phase I of the re-development plan in early 2002 will identify the prospective partners for campus occupancy during 2002-03.

Other nearby Navy facilities in Winter Harbor (80 housing units) and Corea (70,000 ft² in two main industrial office buildings) present commercial opportunities to complement the SERC mission. Industrial activity is not consistent with the SERC mission, but off-campus commercial operations may have front-office operations or research units that are suited as members at SERC.

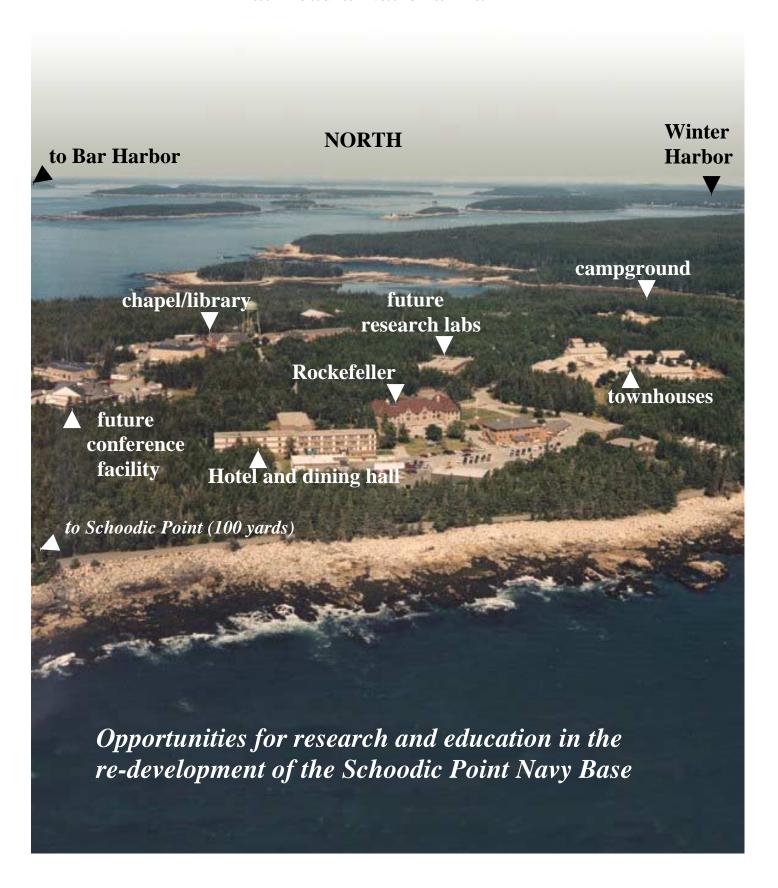
The Consortium. SERC will be a collaborative member-based consortium of partners contributing

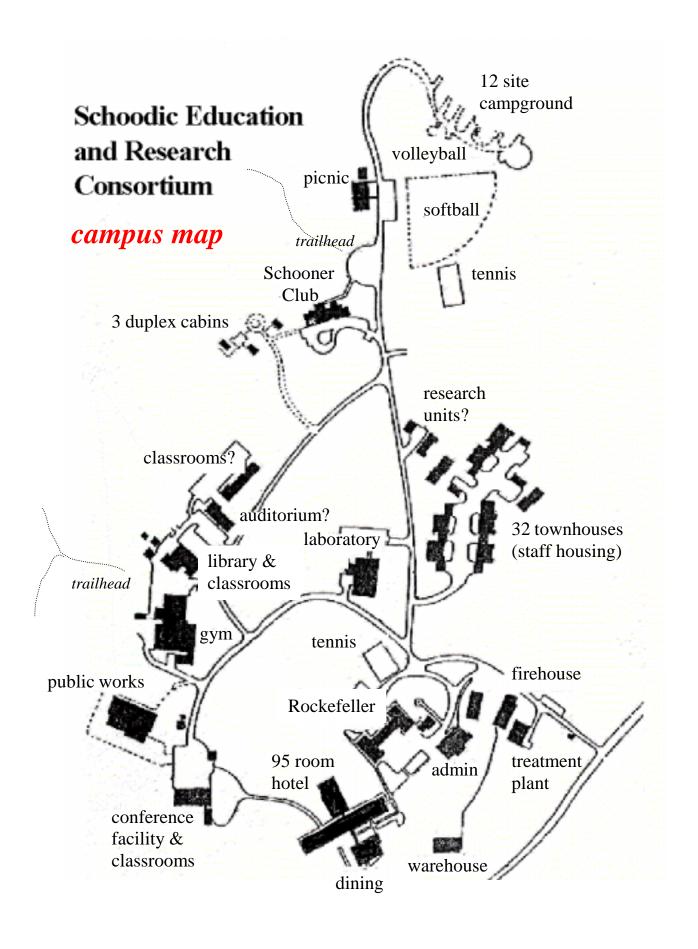
to a common mission of education and research. In 2002-03, the initial Pilot Partners at Schoodic will help steer the direction of education and research re-development at the former Navy Base. We expect that a non-profit research management corporation will be created to interact with the NPS on behalf of the consortium of partners. 'Resident' members will have permanent office, laboratory, housing, and/or support space on the SERC campus. 'Non-resident' members will be periodic users of shared program space such as meeting areas, housing, and food service, but without a permanent presence on campus.



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Campus buildings and proposed uses

Building	ft ²	Navy use	SERC use(s) under consideration
Rockefeller	20,600	officer's family housing	program offices; visitor center; apartments
Chapel	4,700	chapel, classrooms	library, classrooms, archives
Administration	14,200	offices	temporary administration during renovation of Rockefeller
Commissary	7,500	commissary	conference center and classrooms
Dorm	37,000	housing	program participant housing (190 beds)
Galley	4,800	dining	dining (seats 52); meetings
Firehouse	3,600	firehouse	firehouse
Gym	17,000	recreation	large meetings; office; recreation
Schooner Club	6,500	food/conference	food service (seats 85); three meeting rooms
medical	7,800	medical	research laboratory
Bowling Alley	3,800	bowling alley	classrooms? research?
Children Center	2,800	day care	auditorium? research? classrooms?
Butler hut	1,200	service	service
Schoodic Shores	4,800	32 townhouses with garages	faculty and staff housing; research?
Officers quarters	2,500	housing	research units?
Public Works	12,000	publlic works	NPS public works and offices
Cabins	4,600	housing	NPS faculty-in-residence programs; research?
TOTAL	155 400		



The historic 1935 Rockefeller Building was the original structure on the Navy Base. The building was designed by Grosvenor Atterbury, the architect of the famous stone buildings of Mount Desert Island, as an incentive for the Navy to move from Otter Point on MDI to Schoodic Point so that Rockefeller could complete Ocean Drive.

The Rockefeller Building will be the focal point of the Schoodic campus, expected to house the visitor welcoming center, program offices, and second floor apartments.



Overview of SERC campus facilities:

- 97 acre campus with hiking trails, scenic views, tennis, softball, volleyball, racquetball
- Office/program space available for non-NPS partners in several buildings on campus.
- Laboratory space to be developed to partner specifications in the former medical center.
- Meeting space available for groups of 10 to 150.
- Library and reading room developed around the NPS collections repository.
- Computing and internet access for groups of 20.
- Hotel and cabin housing for 150, apartment-style staff housing for 80; 12 campsites.
- Food service for 160 in the dining hall and Schooner Club.





7,800 ft² research laboratory building



The Schooner Club, a versatile meeting and dining facility

One of three meeting rooms in the Schooner Club



Future conference facility and classrooms (former commissary)



Trailhead for Schoodic hiking









Housing options include a 95 room hotel and modern dining room...



...three duplex cabins in the woods



32 townhouses for faculty & staff housing...



...and a 12 site campground with hook-ups

